You'll marry me, darling, Full soon, will you not. And reign as my bride In our dear little cot?

Ionie, the Pride of the Mill;

Daughter of a Knight of Labor. A THRILLING LOVE STORY.

CHAPTER L.

To love and be beloved
Is the one grand dream of a maiden's life.
F. N. CROUCH It was on the 10th of January, and intensely old in New York city. I am particular as to he date, for it marked the bitterest tracedy hat ever darkened a beautiful young girl's

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On this bitter cold morning, hurrying along with the crowd that surged up Broadway, was lonie Lawrence, a young girl who, despite her shabby attire, was rarely beautiful.

Bhe was not more than seventeen, but she had the grace of a dainty young princess, though she was but a working girl, the daughter of a Knight of Labor.

Ione had been the pride and darling of her ather's heart. Six months before our story ppens he had passed away, joining the wife of his youth, who had been dead several years, leaving two daughters behind him.

On his deathbed he had called Barbara, his sidest daughter, to his bedside, and, drawing her face down to his own, he whispered:

"You are three-and-twenty. Barbara, and Ionie is but seventeen. I leave her to your care. You must be both mother and sister to her, she is so young. She will be more beautiful than it seldom falls to the lot of women to be, and great beauty in a young and unprotected girl brings with it either a blessing or a curse. I could not rest in my grave if harm befell her. Guard our treasure well. Barbara," said the weeping girl. "You may safely leave Ionle to me."

"I will, father," said the weeping girl. "You may safely leave Ionle to me."

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Barbara had kept her promise well. She had taken up the thread of life when her father had laid it down, and sought work in an adjacent mill; but Ionle was kept at school.

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"Oh, my darling!" Barbara moaned, "what shall we do now? I—I dare not look the future in the face. The money we have laid by will soon be run through with.
"Do not fear, dear," cried beautiful, brave Ionie, "We shall not starve. I can take your piace in the mili."

At first Barbara demurred; but there was no help for it. So, on this eventful morning that our story opens. Barbara had kissed her darling good-by with a wistful sigh.

More than one pair of eyes turned to gaze admiringly after the slim, girlish figure, but tonie Lawrence paid no heed.

Turning hurriedly off Broadway, and crossing Canal street, she paused at length before a arge brick structure which bore above the broad entrance door the sign:

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"This is the place," murmured Ionie, her heart in a flutter as she ascended the steps, nervously, that led to the office, "Oh, they will, they must take me in Barbara's place, when I tell them she has fallen ill, and that when I tell them she has fallen ill, and that I—"

The sentence was never finished. All in an instant Ionie was conscious of a swift, dizzy sensation, and then—

"I hope you are not hurt," said a deep, musical voice. "Those ice-covered steps are treacherous. I am so fortunate as to have saved you from an ugly fall."

Ionie struggled out of a pair of masculine arms, and, raising her bewildered eyes, saw a tall. fair-haired gentleman standing before her. He and a gentleman had but a moment since alighted from a sleigh that had dashed up to the pavement.

"I sincerely trust you are not hurt," he repeated, looking earnestly at the lovely young face flushing and paling in evident embarrassment, as she murmured she was "not hurt; only stunned."

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"You can go into the office through the private door, if you like. These steps are such a sheet of ice, they are actually dangerous."

He drew a card from his card case, and, handing it to her, Ionie read the name, "Arthur Rochester."

"Are you, sir, one of the comments and the steps." Are you, sir, one of the owners of the mill?" sed Ionie, with timid eagerness. I am a son of the senior member of the a." he replied.

"I am a son of the senior member of the firm." he repiled.

Then her eyes involuntarily travelled toward his companion; and she saw a dark, handsome face that usually won women's hearts at the first glance, a pair of dark, laughing eyes that met her own, and seemed to hold her spell-bound by their magic power.

Poor, beautiful lonie! She might have led a happy anough life if her path had not been crossed by this handsome young man.

Although Arthur Rochester had made himself known to her, he did not offer to introduce If known to her, he did not offer to introduce a companion, Ionie noticed, but hurried him

self known to ner, ne and the companion, Ionie noticed, but hurried him quickly away.

But not before the darkly splendid eyes had flashed another glance full of unbounded admiration into the lovely, girlish face; for Frank Lyons had promised himself that he should see this pretty young girl again, at

should see this pretty young girl again, at whatever cost.

As the gentlemen turned away, Ionie hurried on to the office. Upon making known her orrand, she was sent to the foreman, who had charge of those affairs.

A few minutes later, pale as death, she emerged upon the street.

Father, she orled, below her breath, raising her eyes to the storm-swept sky, "can you understand your poor Ionie's terrible woe? Ah mei ah mei how can I return to Barbars, lying sick unto death this bitter cold winter day, and tell her they refused to take me in her place? Ohi what shall I do? Oh, heaven help mei Where shall I turn? I shall not go back to Barbara until I have found some place."

It so happened that for some little time after

place. It is a bappened that for some little time after Arthur Rochester had entered the mill in company with his friend it did not occur to him as to the lovely young sirl's object in coming there on that bitter cold morning.

"It must be abe is in search of work," he argued to himself, gazing thoughtfully into the fire. "Traverse, the foreman, will be sure to send her away," he mused, "for he was speaking only yesterday of the advisability of disharging some of the hands, for work is slack how," I must intercede in this young girl's behalf."

Hurrying to the office, Arthur Rochester salled for the foreman, and found his surmise had been quite correct; the girl had come in search of work, and he found, to his dismay, that she had been already sent away.

A strange regret that he could scarcely have defined thrilled in the young man's heart. An office boy was hurriedly despatched to overtake the slim figure hurrying down the street, almost lost to sight by the blinding storm, and Ionie was recalled and given her sister's place in the mill.

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All that day thoughts of pretty Ionie filled two different masculine hearts. Arthur Rochester, who had been hastily summoned from the city by a telegram, thought of Ionie as the train whirled him on his journey. His friend, Frank Lyons, had thought of nothing else.

At length six o'clock sounded shrilly from the clocks and adjoining beliries, and a few moments later throngs of nimble-footed lassies emerged from the broad entrance door of the Nottingham Mills to battle with the storm and the darkness as they made their way to the elevated roads and street cars, anxious to get to their homes.

Ionie could not afford the expensive luxury of riding, so she made her way alone on foot.

Buddenly she heard the sound of sleigh belis, and a few moments later a sleigh dashed up the street; and, when it was abreast of Ionie to her surprise it stopped short. How was she to know that its occupant had purposely followed her from the mill?

Glancing up, she saw by the yellow gleam of the street lamp the dark, handsome face of the stranger whom she had met that morning with Mr. Rochester.

"If you are going my way," he called out, pleasantly, as he raised his hat to her, "won't you let me persuade you to ride? Walking is among the impossibilities. I hope you recognize me; I am your employer's friend. He did not introduce me to you; he best knows why. Let me introduce myself: I am Frank Lyons, his college chum, from Philadelphia;" adding: "And you are?"

Ionie Lawrence." the girl answered, timid, a lovely flush covering her shy, sweet face. "Do allow me to insist upon taking you home. Miss Lawrence," he piesded. "You can see for yourself you will never be able to make your way there on foot."

Ionie was a little delighted, a little bewildered, and just a little frightened.

With girlish, bashful hesitancy she allowed herself to be persuaded and placed in the sleigh. Frank L

had lived long ages during that time in another world.

"Ah! here is the number," he said, at length, stopping short before her humble home.

He was satisfied with the impression he had made when he saw her start back and exclaim. "Have we indeed reached my home so soon?"

He helped her to alight with as much courtly grace as though she had been a princess instead of a poor little working girl, and expressed the hope, very carnestly, that he might see her again some time.

"The next instant the slim little figure was lost to sight in the darkness.

"You are late, my durling," said Barbara, as the door opened and Ionie sprang into the room, and up to the couch on which the sufferer lay.

"Has it been a hard day, dear?" she asked.
"It must have been," she added, "for it was your first day as a bread-winner, facing the cold, hard world of men and women."

"It was the happiest day of my life, Barbara," Ionie answered. "Every one was so kind to me."

Then ahe told her how near the foreman

Men."
Ionie met the invalid with a strangely flushed face the next morning. The first secret she had ever kept from Barbara lay like a heavy weight in her heart. She had told her nothing about Frank Lyons.

"I will tell her that I know him when I come home to-night," she thought, tenderly kissing the pallid face as she bade her good-by.

by. Was long after dark when Ionic returned home that evening. A sudden chill seemed to oppress her as she opened the door. The fire in the grate was out—the room was in total darkness, save for a little strip of moonlight that drifted in.

No welcome voice greeted her. Was Barbara asleen? No welcome voice greeted her. Was Barbara saleep?
Notselessly she stole up to the couch and knelt down beside it.
"Barbara." she said, softly. "I have something to tell you dear. It has been weighing on my mind all day long. You won't scold me for not telling you last night, will you, Barbara? Promise me in advance."
The thin, patient face did not turn toward her.

ing her face down beside the one turned from her on the pillow.

What was there in that ley touch that sent such a thrill of horror through the girl's heart? With a low, startled cry, Ionie gazed down into the rigid face lying so still and white within the little strip of white moonlight. The half-open glazed eyes flashed no look of recognition up into her own.

Then a piercing shrick rang through the lonely room:

Then a piercing shifted linely room:

"Oh, God! Barbara is dead!"

Yes, she was dead, leaving Ionie, her darling, her idol, friendless and alone, to the mercies of the bitter world.

Ionie's wild cries brought in a kind-hearted neighbor, who found her in a deep swoon on the floor. lonie's wild cries brought in a kind-hearted neighbor, who found her in a deep swoon on the floor.

It was several weeks before Ionie was able to take up the thread of life again; and in the face of another terrible snow storm she set out, heavy hearted, for the mill once more.

There had been important alterations of the left wall of the factory going on for a few days past, and for that reason the girls had been transferred to the fourth floor of the building. It was noon, and for a brief hour the vast building seemed almost deserted.

Jonie sat apart from her companions, having fluished her scanty repast, her curly head bent low over a book.

Suddenly there was a low, hoarse rumbling like the sound of distant thunder. But lonie was so deeply engrossed in her book she did not hear.

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"No, no; the new wall is caving in!" cried another.

And, too terrifled to even scream, they fairly flew down the nearest stairway to the street.

There was another dull rumbling, followed by a terrifle crash, that brought out all the book-keepers, pale as death, to the pavement but not an instant too soon. The stone wall fell in like the report of an hundred cannon, carrying the greater portion of the roof with it, and crashing down like a mighty cyclone.

"Thank God the building is empty!" cried a dozen voices, but they heard a wild scream, and some one pointed upward. Simultaneously the vast throng raised their cyes, and beheld the figure of a young girl clinging to the shaking timbers on the topmost floor.

Terror and despair were written upon every feature of the beautiful, childish face turned toward thom, but the vast crowd stood by, as if petrifled, unable to act or move.

Besides, they saw, to their horror, one of the great wheels of the machinery, just above her head, revolving with lightning like rapidity, and which must soon give way.

Even the spiral iron stairway—the only means of reaching the poor girl—swayed to and fro on its fastenings, awalting but another avalanche of stones to send it whirling down with the rest of the wrock. No man dared trust his weight upon it.

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The crowd below saw this, and realized it, Strong men turned away with hoarse, shuddering cries. Women fainted outright, their bitter cries mingling with the hoarse rumble that shook again through the doomed wall.
Looking down at the surging mass of horrilled faces, Ionle saw but one face—the face of Frank Lyons—and to him, in that vital moment of her life or death, she looked for help, but he shrank back.

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"No! no!" he panted hoarsely to himself. "I could never risk my life to save hers. It is not to be thought of."

"Back! Give me room!" cried a clarion voice in the crowd.

A young man who had just appeared on the scene took in the situation at a glance.

"Back!" he commanded in a voice like a bugle blast, and the crowd parted.

In a flash he had sprung up the swaying spiral stairway to the girl's rescue.

"Oh, God!" was the cry of an hundred voices in the crowd. "It is Mr. Arthur Rochester!"

"Come back! Come back!" they cried, in terror. "It means death. Better one should die than two."

But he heeded them not. Up, up the swaying stairs he sprang, his face blanched when he saw the horrible wheel, but he pushed onward. "Ionie!" he called. "My poor girl, can you hear me and understand? I have come to save you, or die with you."

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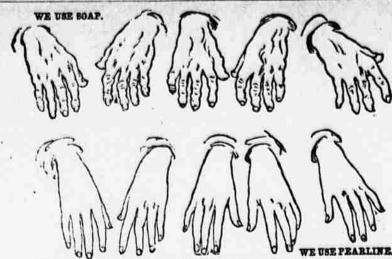
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